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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the following information.

The following documents were cited in an International Search Report with respect to International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2005/006740, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application. A copy of the International Search Report has been filed concurrently with the present application and should thus have already been brought to the attention of the Examiner.

(1) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 11-340614 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

- (2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-269269 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 9-008451 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent No. 5,634,268;
- (4) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-064042 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0168145;
- (5) ITO et al., "MEMS Package ni Okeru Hyomen Kasseika Joon Setsugo no Kanosei," 2000 Nendo Seimitsu Kagakukai Shuki Taikai Gakujutsu Koenkai Koen Ronbunshu, 2000, page 317;
- (6) OCHIAI et al., "Hyomen Kasseika ni yoru Hikari Micro Buhin no Teion Chokusetsu Setugo," 2003 Nendo Seimitsu Kagakukai Shuki Taikai Gakujutsu Koenkai Koen Ronbunshu, 2003, page 400; and
- (7) International Publication No. WO 2004/030076.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the international claims by the International Examiner, is set forth in the International Search Report.

Applicants further bring to the attention of the Examiner the following documents:

- (8) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-351892 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same. Applicants note that this document is cited beginning at page 1 of the specification of the above-captioned application;

(9) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-197673 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,784,554. Applicants note that the Japanese document is cited beginning at page 2 of the specification of the above-captioned application;

(10) U.S. Patent No. 6,680,221; and

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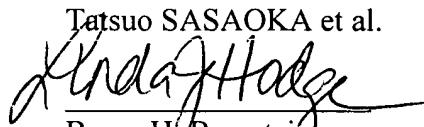
Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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